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SOME NOTES ON THE VAPOURER MOTH: *ORGYIA ANTIQUA* L.
 — During 1979 I reared six *antiqua* larvae which all hatched on 22nd April from a single batch of eggs. They eventually produced four male imagines and two females. I was most interested to discover that the latter required four instars to complete their larval growth, the males only three, and wonder if this difference has been noted before? Three of the males emerged from their cocoons on 31st May and the remaining one on 2nd June, on which date one of the females also appeared. The other female emerged the previous day. — MARGARET REESE, Flat 6, 2 All Saints Road, Clifton, Bristol, BS8 2JH, 11.viii.1980.

A NORTHERN RECORD OF *AETHES BEATRICELLA* (WALS.).
 — A specimen of this moth was swept from vegetation on a stream bank at Waren Mill, Northumberland on 27th July 1980. Bradley, Tremewan & Smith in *British Tortricoid Moths*, Vol. I give the distribution of this moth as “. . . locally common in the southern and south-eastern counties of England, and apparently not found elsewhere . . .”. It is interesting to note that *beatricella* was recorded in 1976 from Derbyshire and Yorkshire, apparently for the first time (Harrison, F., *Ent. Rec.*, 89: 208). — PAUL SOKOLOFF, Orpington, Kent.